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FOR WARNKE AND DAVIES FROM FISHER

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PARM CCD  
SUBJECT: CCD: SEISMIC EXPERTS

1. AN INTERESTING ASPECT OF BOTH THE SOVIET AND SWEDISH STATE-  
MENTS AT THE OPENING PLENARY WAS THAT THEY BOTH RELIED HEAVILY ON  
A SYSTEM OF INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE OF SEISMIC DATA AS A MEANS FOR  
VERIFYING A CTB AND PROVIDING DETERRENCE AGAINST ANY VIOLATION.  
MY INQUIRIES IN WASHINGTON HAVE LED ME TO BELIEVE THAT THERE IS  
SOME DOUBT AS TO WHETHER THE INTERNATIONAL SYSTEM WILL ADD ANYTHING  
TO OUR NATIONAL VERIFICATION CAPABILITIES. THE SEISMOLOGICAL EXPERTS  
CONTINUE TO WORK ON THIS SYSTEM BUT NO REFERENCE HAS BEEN MADE TO  
AUTOMATIC SEISMIC STATIONS. THIS POSSIBLE LACK OF COORDINATION BETWEE  
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OUR NEGOTIATING POSTURE ON A CTB AND THE DIRECTION TAKEN BY THE  
SEISMOLOGICAL EXPERTS PRESENTS THE DANGER THAT WE MAY BE CONTRIVING  
AN INTERNATIONAL SEISMIC SYSTEM WHICH WE MAY NOT REGARD AS ADEQUATE  
FOR ASSISTING VERIFICATION CTB AND WHICH MAY ALSO GIVE THE SOVIETS AN

EXCUSE FOR REJECTING AUTOMATIC SEISMIC STATIONS USING THE ARGUMENT  
THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HAS ACCEPTED A SYSTEM WITHOUT  
AUTOMATIC SEISMIC STATIONS, SO WHY SHOULD THE SOVIETS AGREE TO IT.

2. WE REALIZE PRESSURES ON YOUR TIME BUT SUGGEST YOU MAY WISH TO  
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ASK THE SCIENCE ADVISOR TO THE PRESIDENT FOR ADVICE AND ASSISTANCE  
IN REACHING A HIGHER DEGREE OF COORDINATION THAN I BELIEVE NOW  
EXISTS.SORENSEN

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